

## WAR DEPARTMENT

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Typed: 4 August 1945

The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Patents.

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Dear Mr. Commissioner:

It is requested that the patent application relating to improvements in: **AUTHENTICATING DEVICE**

Ser. No.: 551,172

Filed: 25 August 1944

By: William F. Friedman

be placed under the provisions of Section 4894, Revised Statutes, as amended (35 United States Code 37). The title in and to this invention has been assigned to the United States by assignment papers executed on the date of **25 August 1944** by said inventor, **William F. Friedman**, the assignment inclosed herewith.

It has been determined that the invention is important to the armament and defense of the United States, and it is therefore desired that the application be placed under Section 4894, Revised Statutes, as amended, to avail the War Department of the three-year period in which to make response to the Patent Office as provided for by the statute in question.

It is requested that the inclosed assignment of the said invention and application be recorded under Commissioner's Order No. 3250, dated 5 September 1933, United States Government Assignments, and after it has been recorded, that it be returned to Colonel Francis H. Vanderwerker, Office of the Judge Advocate General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ROBERT P. PATTERSON

~~SECRET~~ Secretary of War.

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